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SUBJECT: 63RD ECOSOC: HUMAN SETTLEMENTS (AGENDA ITEM 10)

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1. THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS BEGAN THURSDAY, JULY 7, DECIDING TO ESTABLISH A DEADLINE OF FRIDAY, JULY 8, FOR SUBMISSION OF "INFORMAL PROPOSALS" ON THE INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS QUESTION. THESE SUBMISSIONS WILL BE DISCUSSED IN AN OPEN ENDED WORKING GROUP.
2. WE ANTICIPATE THAT AT LEAST TWO MAJOR PROPOSALS WILL BE TABLED, I.E., (1) THE SWEDISH/CANADIAN DRAFT WITH SEVERAL SEPARATE AMENDMENTS (SEE REFTEL) AND (2) A RESOLUTION CURRENTLY BEING DRAFTED BY THE AFRICAN GROUP.
3. IT IS NOT CLEAR WHY THE KENYANS DECIDED TO SEPARATE THEMSELVES FROM THE SWEDISH/CANADIAN DRAFT AND TO PURSUE THE OAU ROUTE. WE HAVE HEARD CONFLICTING REPORTS. ON THE ONE HAND WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT THE KENYAN PARTICIPATING

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IN THE NEW YORK WORKING GROUP WAS ACTING ONLY IN HIS PERSONAL CAPACITY AND THEREFORE WAS NOT IN A POSITION TO COMMIT THE KENYAN GOVERNMENT. ON THE OTHER HAND, WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT THE KENYANS HAD THE CANADIAN/ SWEDISH DRAFT OVER TWO WEEKS AGO AND PROVIDED THE CANADIAN EMBASSY/NAIROBI WITH SPECIFIC AMENDMENTS. WHEN NOT ALL OF THE KENYAN AMENDMENTS WERE ACCEPTED, THE

KENYANS DECIDED TO GO THEIR OWN WAY. SORENSON

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